a credit-linked subsidy scheme for creation of additional employment opportunities for the educated unemployed youth in the non-farm sector, the Central Government allocates funds for subsidy, Entrepreneurial Development Training (EDT), contingencies, etc., to the individual States/ Union Territories (UTs). The Central fund for subsidy are routed through the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) which, in turn, passes them on to the implementing banks for crediting the amounts to the loan accounts of individual beneficiaries. The funds for EDT, contingencies, etc., are released by the Central Government directly to the States/UTs. In the last two years, *i.e.*, 2003-04 and 2004-05, 6.88 lakh additional job opportunities, including 60,028 in Andhra Pradesh, have been created in the country under PMRY.

(c) Does not arise.

Scheme for poor villagers

†2092. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme for the poor villagers so that they don't have to take loan from bank;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to launch any scheme from its own funds for encouraging entrepreneurs to establish rural industries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir. There is no such scheme of the Government in the Ministry of Agro and Rural Industries.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.